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PATENT



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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111**

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This paper responds to the Office Action mailed on October 13, 2004. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.